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Applicants : Patrick Barry Hook, et al.

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

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This paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed November 18, 2008.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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